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# STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS

The following is published as a public service. State officials listed were in office as of June 30, 2001.

## ATTORNEY GENERAL

1275 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007 602-542-5025 www.attorney\_general.state.az.us Attorney General: Janet Napolitano

The Attorney General is a constitutionally mandated position, elected by a popular vote of the people of Arizona. The Attorney General serves as chief legal officer of the State, presiding over more than 900 employees including assistant attorneys general, executive and support staff. The Attorney General's Office represents and provides legal advice to most State agencies, except for those specifically exempted by statute, enforces consumer protection laws and some criminal laws, brings and defends lawsuits on behalf of the State and issues formal legal opinions as requested by State officers, legislators or county attorneys on issues of law. The Attorney General serves as the Director of the Department of Law and has jurisdiction over Arizona's Consumer Fraud Act, white collar crime, organized crime, public corruption, drugs, environmental laws, civil rights laws and crimes committed in more than one county. Additionally, the Attorney General's Office prosecutes cases normally handled by county attorneys' offices if there is a conflict. State law limits the Attorney General to two-four year terms in Office. She/he is required to have been a practicing attorney for at least five years prior to election and may not act as a private attorney while in office.

## **CORPORATION COMMISSION**

1200 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007 602-542-4143 www.cc.state.az.us

Commissioner, Chairman: Jim M. Irvin

Commissioner: Bill Mundell Commissioner: Marc Spitzer

The Corporation Commission consists of three members elected for six-year staggered terms. One commissioner is elected every two years. The Governor appoints a Commissioner to fill a vacancy until a Commissioner is elected at the next general election. Article XV § 1., Constitution of Arizona.

# **EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

1535 W. Jefferson St. Phoenix, AZ 85007 602-542-5393

Superintendent of Public Instruction: Jaime Molera (appointed, Hull, May 2001)

The Department of Education is administered through the State Board of Education, its governing and policy-determining body, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction in whom all executive, administrative, and ministerial functions of the Department are vested. Responsibilities include regulatory and service functions for public elementary, high school, and unified school districts.

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## **GOVERNOR**

1700 W. Washington St., 9th Floor Phoenix, AZ 85007 602-542-4331 www.governor.state.az.us

Governor: Jane Dee Hull

The Governor is the chief executive officer of the state and is Commander-in-Chief of the military forces of the state, except when such forces are called into the service of the United States. The Governor transacts all executive business with the officers of the government, civil and military, and may require information in writing on any subject relating to the duties of their respective offices. The Governor is responsible for seeing that the laws of Arizona are faithfully executed. In addition, the Governor delivers a message to the Legislature, at the beginning of every regular session, on the condition of the state and recommends such matters as the Governor deems expedient. The Governor may convene the Legislature in special session and may grant reprieves, commutations, and pardons after convictions for all offenses except treason and cases of impeachment upon conditions and with restrictions and limitations as provided by law.

# **MINE INSPECTOR**

1700 W. Washington St., 4th Floor Phoenix, AZ 85007 602-542-5971 www.asmi.state.az.us

Mine Inspector: Douglas K. Martin

Twelve people have served as State Mine Inspector since 1912. Arizona is currently the only state that has an elected mine inspector. The Arizona State Mine Inspector's mission is to: enforce the State Mining Code for the health and safety of the workers and the public in Arizona's active, inactive, and abandoned mining operations; provide training to improve individual health and safety practices; provide worksite evaluations that result in improved workplace health and safety conditions; actively regulate and enforce the provisions of the State Mining Code relating to abandoned/inactive mine safety; and review and monitor all mine reclamation activities.

## SECRETARY OF STATE

1700 W. Washington St., 7th Floor Phoenix, AZ 85007-2888 602-542-4285 www.sos.state.az.us

Secretary of State: Betsey Bayless

Deputy Secretary of State: Warren Whitney

The Secretary of State is a constitutionally mandated position, elected by a popular vote of the people of Arizona. Arizona's Secretary of State is first in the line of succession to the Office of Governor and serves as Acting Governor when the Governor is out of state. The Secretary of State's other duties include serving as the State's Chief Election Officer; commissioning notaries public; registering lobbyists, charitable organizations, and telemarketers; publishing all new state laws; compiling and publishing the administrative rules of state agencies; registering trademarks, trade names, and partnerships; filing all secured financial transactions under the Uniform Commercial Code as well as contribution and expense reports for all state and federal candidates and political organizations.

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## TREASURER, STATE

1700 W. Washington St., 1st Floor Phoenix, AZ 85007 602-542-5815 www.aztreasury.state.az.us

State Treasurer: Carol Springer

Deputy Treasurer for Administrative Operations: Richard J. Petrenka

Deputy Treasurer for Investments: Neal E. Helm

The State Treasurer is a constitutional officer who is elected statewide. The Treasurer serves as the state's chief financial officer charged with the prudent custody and management of state monies. The Treasurer is elected to serve a four year term and can serve a maximum of two consecutive terms. The Treasurer is third in line of succession to the Governor, serves as the Chairman of the State Board of Investment, as the State Surveyor General and sits on the State Land Selection Board. The Board has the authority to approve State Land Department recommendations on transactions involving state-trust lands (A.R.S. 37-202).

The primary responsibilities of the office include the receipt, safekeeping, investment and disbursement of monies belonging to the state, as well as the safekeeping of investment securities and performance bonds held in trust on behalf of state agencies.